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INDEX FROM GERMINATING
SEEDLINGS BY AUTOMATIC
SEPARATION OF OVERLAPPED
SEEDLINGS

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated March 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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